Remarks

This is in response to the Office Action November 2, 2007.

The Office Action rejected claims 12-14, 24-26, 28, 29, 30, 33, and 34 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over United States Patent No. 6,002,941 to Ablay et al. (Ablay) in view of United States Patent No. 5,991,803 to Glitho et al. (Glitho), and further in view of United States Patent No. 6,950,228 to Scales et al. (Scales). The Office Action rejected claim 27 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ablay in view of Glitho and Scales, and further in view of United States Patent No. 6,003,031 to Harktikainen et al. (Harktikainen). The Office Action rejected claim 31 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ablay in view of Glitho and Scales, and further in view of "From SIB to Distributed Objects: A Transformation Approach for Service Creation" by Elie Najm et al. (Najm). The Office Action rejected claims 15 and 35-43 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ablay in view of Glitho and Scales, and further in view of United States Patent No. 6,351,646 to Jellema et al. (Jellema).

The Office Action indicates that claim 32 is objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

In order to expedite prosecution, Applicants have amended claim 32 to rewrite claim 32 in independent form including all limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims, and canceled all remaining claims. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the canceled claims in one or more continuation applications.

Since allowable claim 32 is the only remaining claim pending in this application, this application is in condition of allowance

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